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1. The last session of the Rumanian National Assembly was marked by the reading of reports by several deputies who recognized that the country is in a difficult situation. Deputies Grama, Gaina, and Munteanu denounced the lack of raw materials and the resulting irregularity and insufficiency of production. They also pointed to the lack of food which is causing ill-will on the part of Rumanian laborers. They stated that industries are costing the state a great deal, but are not producing much. Furthermore, salaries are rising faster than production, in spite of the efforts of the Stakhanovites. There also is a great deal of waste in the Government. The Minister of Paper and Cellulose has complained of the enormous expenses of telephones, transfers, and maintaining of vehicles, which amount to about 62% percent of the Ministry's budget.
2. Deputies Spiridoana, Musar, Lacreanu, and Nitesco, criticized the financial situation and the Treasury. The tax burden was poorly divided, with the taxes falling lightly on the potentially large taxpayers. Because of lack of pressure, anticipated receipts were not realized, and large sums are still owing to the state.
3. Deputy Lacreanu complained that the agricultural associations with which the Government planned to replace the Kolkhozes were not set up in time.
4. Deputy Spiridoana reported that the cooperation had not been working according to plan. They did not buy from the peasants the agricultural products needed for the city workers.

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